

Cal OES Daily Situation Report

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National Terrorism Advisory System

Current Alerts

There are no current alerts

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* Maps can be viewed in the attachment.

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I. OPEN DISASTERS/EMERGENCIES:

II. WEATHER:

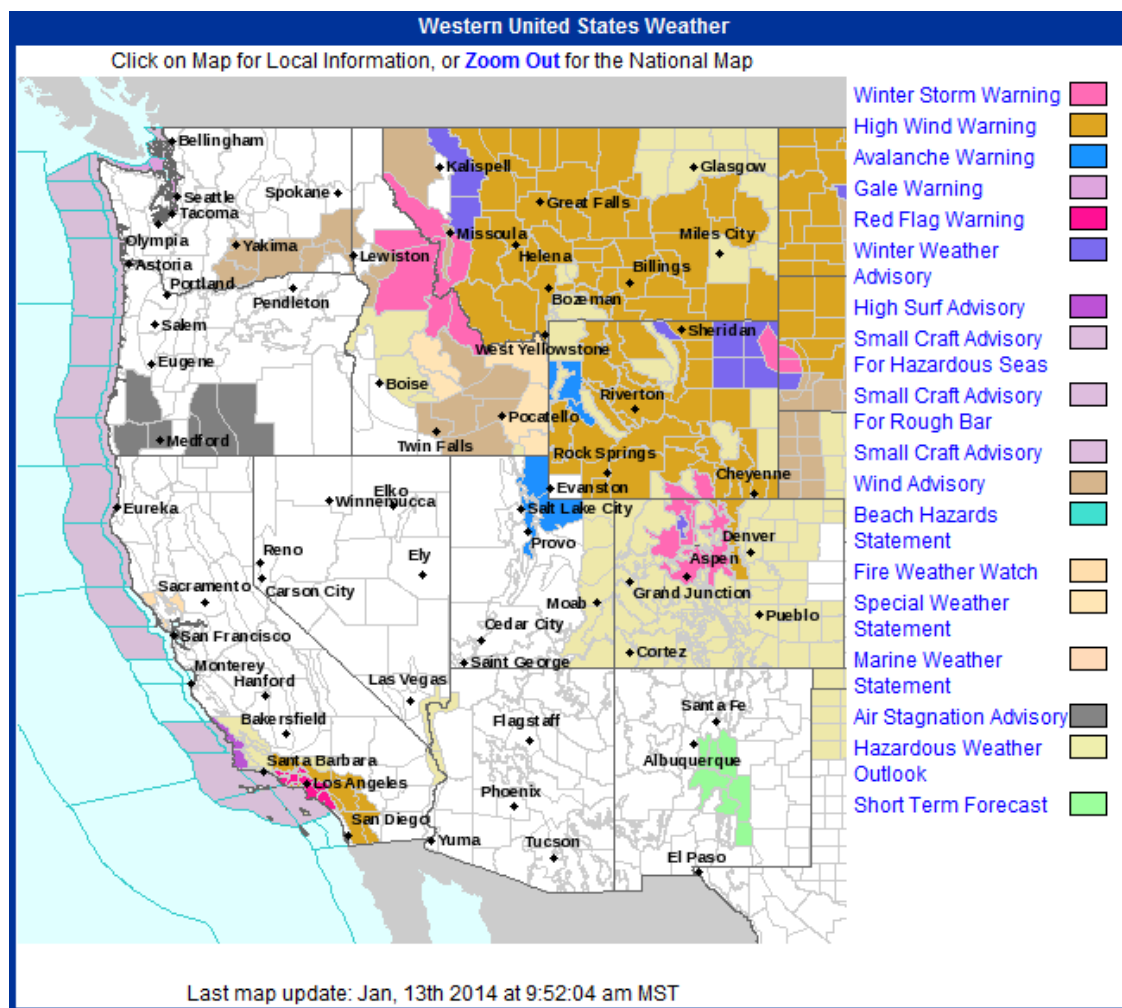
Northern California

High pressure is forecast to build back over the west coast this week bringing a return of well above normal daytime temperatures. Daytime high temperatures are likely to remain well above normal through the end of this week. Mainly clear skies at night will allow overnight low temperatures to drop to a little below normal. Gusty winds and low humidity will increase fire weather concerns for portions of Marin, Napa and Sonoma Counties this evening.

Southern California

High pressure will move in early this week with more gusty offshore winds expected along with warm temperatures, making fire weather a concern for portions of southern California into Wednesday. Afternoon temperatures will be above normal, with the warmest day on Wednesday. Offshore flow will weaken by midweek, and the high will weaken on Friday.

State Weather Map



III. FIRES:

Overall Fire Risk:

Northern California

The recent precipitation has helped some areas take the edge off the much-drier-than-normal fuels situation, but the weather pattern this week will quickly dry fuels again in most areas. Fuels will generally be very dry for this time of year with little relief in that condition in sight in the near future. The northern region is in various stages of long term drought, with Severe to locally Extreme drought conditions covering most of Northern California.

Southern California

The potential for large fire will be high over Southern California through Wednesday due to strong offshore winds combined with single digit humidity. There has been no rainfall across the region in the last three weeks causing fuels to dry out significantly. Rapid rates of spread and long range spotting will be likely if an ignition gets started in a windy area. Night time humidity recovery will be poor which will allow for active burning at night. The threat for large fire will decrease Thursday through this weekend as winds decrease and temperatures start to cool. Expect moderate Initial Attack (IA) activity across the region through Wednesday and then light IA activity Thursday through this weekend.

Preparedness Levels:

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1 Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2 Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

IV. SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY:

State

Drought 2014

The lack of winter rain and snowfall has resulted in drought conditions throughout the State. Some local jurisdictions are implementing mandatory conservation orders. Reservoir levels are down significantly from where they should be on average for this time of year. Severe impacts to municipal water supplies, agriculture (plants and livestock) and firefighting capabilities are likely in store for the State over the next few months. The Governor has established a Drought Task Force to oversee and coordinate the response to this event.

The Task Force continues to be in very close contact with local jurisdictions and state agencies to monitor the health of state's water, agriculture, and economy. On January 3, 2014, the state conducted its first snow survey of the wet season and found more bare ground than snow. Statewide the snowpack water content is just 20 percent of average for this time of year.

Update 01/12/14: The Task Force has compiled a list of expectations, actions, impacts, funding sources and implementation timeframes by participating agencies/departments for a Governor's Brief on Monday, 01/13/2014.

For water conservation tips, visit: <http://saveourh2o.org/>

Drought Resolutions/Proclamations

01/07/14 - Mendocino County – no request for state assistance at this time

01/08/14 – City of Willits, Mendocino County – no request for state assistance at this time

Influenza 2014

California is seeing an accelerated increase in flu activity over the past few weeks. While influenza activity varies from year to year and is unpredictable, California generally sees an increase in cases in late December or early January and influenza activity usually peaks in February or March. According to CDPH surveillance indicators, influenza activity has been increasing steadily since Mid-December and is now considered to be widespread. The H1N1 strain appears to be the predominant strain so far this flu season and is one that is contained in the current flu vaccine. Vaccination is recommended for everyone six months of age and older, but is particularly important for those persons at higher risk of severe influenza, like pregnant women, obese persons and persons with certain underlying medical conditions.

CDPH and EMSA activated the Medical and Health Coordination Center (MHCC) at noon on January 10, 2014 in response to an increase in influenza-like illness (ILI) and medical surge occurring throughout California.

CDPH and EMSA will distribute a weekly Public Health and Medical Situation Report.

The next CDPH Flu update will be Friday, January 17.

Northern California: NSTR

Southern California:

Cal OES Public Assistance Staff Deployments, Rim Fire Recovery, Tuolumne County

* Five (5) Public Assistance (PA) staff members are currently deployed for the current Operational Period 01/09/14 – 01/23/14 (DR-4158).

Cal OES Individual Assistance Staff Deployments, Pfeiffer Fire Recovery, Monterey County

* One (1) Individual Assistance (IA) staff member has returned from her deployment for a Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) in Monterey County. The field portion of a damage assessment with the county, Cal OES, and U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), was conducted on Friday, January 10, 2014; [however, the final outcome of the PDA is still pending additional information.](#)

Proclamation

* Proclamation from Monterey County was received at Cal OES on 12/17/2013 declaring a Local Emergency and requesting a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California to proclaim a State of Emergency and request a Presidential Declaration.

CAL OES MISSIONS:

New Missions:

2014-LAW-1970 On 1/13/14 Madera County SO requested the Los Angeles SO Mine Team to recover human remains at the bottom of a recently discovered mine shaft located on a private land owners property. MCSO will provide investigation and support personnel in addition to utilizing ATV's to bring in personnel and equipment. LASO Mine Team personnel will be arriving today, 1/13/14, and attempting to recover the remains on 1/14/14. Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch will be on scene to help coordinate.

2014-LAW-1968 On 1/13/14 at 0125 hours Placer County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) requested 4 Human Remains Detection (HRD) K9 to search for a missing person (MP) in the Emigrant Gap area. The search is to be conducted today, 1/13/14. MP (female adult) was reported missing on January 4, 2014 while her vehicle was located several days previous to the report. The Cal OES Law Duty Officer is coordinating resources.

Ongoing Missions:

2014-LAW-1949 On 1/10/14 at 0900 hours Tuolumne County Sheriff's Office requested Human Remains Detection (HRD) K9 for a 7 year old Homicide case. The Cal OES Law Duty Officer secured HRD K9's from Santa Clara County S.O. for a search of an area on Wednesday 1/15/14.

2014-LAW-1918 1/6/14, 1412 hours, The Sacramento County Sheriff's Dept. (SCSD) contacted Cal OES Law Branch and advised that new information has prompted a fresh search for a missing couple who were reportedly fishing in the Rio Vista area of Sacramento County. The original search (2013-LAW-1734) utilizing mutual aid resources occurred on December 2-3, 2013, but yielded negative results; the teams were released and the mission closed. SCSD advised there were positive hits from the K-9's during the search on 1/8/14, and Contra Costa SAR assisted with mapping these areas. All mutual aid resources have been released but local resources, coupled with a private contractor will continue search efforts in an attempt to locate and recover the remains. Update: 1/10/14 - one Missing Person was located during search efforts (deceased). Update: 1/11/14 - Sacramento & Solano Sheriffs Offices are continuing the search efforts. Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch is assisting with search efforts and have secured water certified HRD K9's resources for continued search activity.

2014-LAW-1797 On 12/18/13 at 0800 hours, Butte County Sheriff's Office (SO) requested a dive team and underwater Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) with 300 foot depth capability for a body search of Lake Oroville. Cal OES Law Duty Officer (LDO) is coordinating resources. LDO advised that the ROV required repairs which caused the operation to be postponed. UPDATE: 01/08/14, Confirmation received from San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) that their remote operator vehicle (ROV) is repaired and will be shipped back to them today. Once received, SFPD will coordinate with the Oakland PD Marine Patrol regarding the request for their deep depth sonar equipped ROV and they will work in tandem. SFPD is hoping to get their ROV back by Friday, 1/10/14. If they do they will test it on Monday and conduct the search operation (with Oakland PD) on Tuesday, 1/14/14.

Closed Missions:

2014-LAW-1935 On 01/08/14 at 1248 hours, The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) requested SAR resources regarding a death investigation in Weitchpec, Humboldt County, on Hwy 169 about 35 miles northeast of Eureka. HCSO is attempting to recover additional remains of the decedent and is requesting HRD K-9's to assist in that effort. The Cal OES Law Duty Officer contacted the Cal OES K-9 Coordinator who is working to secure the requested resources. On 01/08/14 at 1830 hours the Cal OES Law Branch secured 2 HRD K-9's for a Sunday, January 12, 2014 Search Operation. Contact information provided and the HCSO SAR contact was advised. [Update 1/13/14 - LDO made contact with HCSO regarding the death investigation. Several more remains were located of the deceased subject. HCSO suspended any additional search efforts based on what was recovered. Mission Closed.](#)

2013-Coastal-1867 On 12/23/13, Monterey County Environmental Health requested the Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) for post-fire household hazardous waste and asbestos removal for burned residences. This is an ongoing program after a fire in California. [DTSC has been on scene since 1/6/14 and completed the mission on Saturday 1/11/14.](#)

V. AGENCY/DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

California Department of Public Health (CDPH)/Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) - [The next CDPH Flu update will be Friday, January 17.](#)

VI. UPCOMING EVENTS, TRAINING, EXERCISES: NSTR

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